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Re: Application by Naoyuki KAMEI and Hiroshi KOJIMA
Entitled "TORQUE ROD STRUCTURE"
Assignee: BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION
Our Reference: Q94253

Sir:

The following documents are submitted herewith in connection with the subject application for the purpose of entering the National Stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☐ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ seven (7) sheets of drawings illustrating Figs. 1A, 1B and 2-18.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☒ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☐ a copy of the executed Assignment and Form PTO 1595.
- ☒ a copy of the ISR.
- ☐ a copy of the IPER.
- ☒ Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references.
- ☒ a copy of each reference cited in the ISR/IPER.
- ☐ a Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ First and Second Written Opinions (including English translations).
- ☒ Response to First Written Opinion.
- ☒ Form PCT/IB/308.

Copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment documents will be submitted at a later date.

In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is presumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by 35 U.S.C. §371(c) were



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supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if additional copies are required, the undersigned attorney will provide the same upon request.

It is expressly requested that National Stage processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §371(f).

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>14</u>	-	20	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$50.00	=	<u>0</u>
Independent claims	<u>1</u>	-	3	=	<u>1</u>	x	\$200.00	=	<u>0</u>
Base Fee									<u>\$300.00</u>
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* The international search fee for all claims was not paid to the USPTO as the ISA, but the ISR is submitted herewith.

Please charge the statutory filing fee of \$900.00 and all additional required fees (except the Issue/Publication Fees) to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is also attached.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
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